



YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday, January 7, 2008
Hillview Community Center, Room A
97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, California 94022

ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Angelo, Baney, Beck, Mathur, DeMartini, Johnson, Lew, Natan, Colehower, and Wong.

Absent: Yanovsky

Also Present: Staff Liaison Kristine Pardini and Beverly Tucker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ANGELO MOVED to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 3, 2007 as presented. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY NATAN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT

BUSINESS

1. Library Expansion Committee

A consultant for the Library Expansion Committee came to speak with the Commissioners on ideas specifically related to the Teen Section of the Los Altos Library and the Library as a whole. Some ideas that were discussed were offering a “Wi-Fi Bar”, naming the Teen Space, and a contest to design panels. Ideas will be brought back to the Library Expansion Committee and considered for the future Teen Space.

2. Los Altos Community Foundation Youth Philanthropy Group

Members from the Los Altos Community Foundation E3 Youth Philanthropy Group came to discuss possible collaborations with the Youth Commission in the future. Commissioners and E3 members discussed their top priority for teens in Los Altos. The most common priorities mentioned were a teen center, more teen events, more “hang out” spots downtown, giving to organizations,

making downtown more “teen-friendly”, and reducing environmental impact in the community. E3 explained their grant program and how the Youth Commission can apply to help fund a project.

3. Capital Improvement Program

Commissioners discussed the current priority list for Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) for Los Altos. Commissioners agreed to keep the Teen Center Renovation CIP listed under the Civic Center Master Plan section for future consideration in the project. Commissioners agreed that the flooring must still be looked at for the Underground Teen Center even though the CIP has been put on hold. Commissioner directed staff to look into the flooring options and pricing. Discussion of combining a new Teen Center with a Skate Park was discussed and Commissioners directed staff to look into the possibility. Otherwise, there were no recommendations to change the current priority list of the CIPs.

4. LAYC Dance

Commissioners discussed and picked a theme for the LAYC Semi-formal dance on Friday, February 1st. The theme chosen was “Ado(red)” and agreed to donate proceeds from the snack bar to The Global Fund. Commissioners set a sub-committee date to work on decorations for the Semi-Formal Dance.

5. YTRS Update

Staff informed the Commissioners on the last YTRS meeting. Commissioners agreed to host a workshop for the YAC Attack Conference on March 8th on Teambuilding. A sub-committee meeting was set to further discuss the specific title and description of the workshop to be submitted.

6. Underground Revitalization

Commissioner set a sub-committee meeting for Thursday, January 10th at the Underground at 7pm to talk about the Teen Centers that they visited in December. They will discuss the pros and cons of what they saw in other cities.

7. Commission Shirts

Commissioners are to bring \$20 to the next sub-committee meetings to give to Commissioner Natan to order the t-shirts.

8. San Carlos Youth Advisory Council Visit

The Los Altos Youth Commission has been invited to attend the San Carlos Youth Advisory Council’s (SCYAC) February meeting to learn more about how the other works. The SCYAC will host the Commission for dinner on February 13th at the San Carlos Youth Center at 6pm and then they will hold their regular meeting at 7pm for the Commission to observe. Commissioners agreed to attend.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

ANGELO MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COLEHOWER AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Minutes prepared by Kristine Pardini,
Liaison to the Youth Commission